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## Former Yancey Residents Drown In Washington

Max Styles and his four-son, Stephen, were drowned Tuesday, May 5 in the Potomac River in Washington, D. C. when their canoe overturned. Also in the canoe were Styles' six-year-old son, Lawrence, and a brother, Bruce. Both were able to reach a small island, where they were

rescued the next day. Bruce Styles and his brother, Max, a 31-year-old Eastern Airlines co-pilot, took Max' two sons, Lawrence 5, and Stephen 3, on a fishing jaunt Tuesday morning, May 5.

Nothing was seen of them until Wednesday morning when a man on the Virginia shore sighted Bruce in the top of a tree on a small island. The man called the Rescue Squad which brought Bruce and his young nephew to safety.

Bruce said he and Max decided to give the boys a treat by taking them fishing on Tuesday. He said when they were in the canoe they started putting life jackets on the boys and the canoe swung out and keeled over. He saw both boys go under the water and grabbed them and handed the 3-year-old boy to his father and took the 5-year-old and headed for the island. When he reached the island he stated that he could see his brother, Max, holding Steve in his arms, and that meant he couldn't swim. He said that Max had always been a good swimmer and he didn't know what came over him. He said he thought he saw them go under. Both boys were recovered later in the week.

Max Styles was a former resident of Yancey County, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Utah Styles of Burnsville.

## Kindergarten Commencement Monday Evening

Kindergarten commencement exercises will be held Monday, May 25 at 7:30 p. m. in the Junior Assembly Room of the First Baptist Church here.

Those graduating include Marc Hunter, Kim Jolly, Darrel Styles, Derek Hughes and Todd Bailey. Marshals will be Diane Wampler, Mary Louise Wray and Bobby Holcombe.

Certificates will be awarded by Edgar Hunter, Jr. The program will consist of scripture, songs and the Pledge to the Flag.

Mrs. Jess Styles is kindergarten teacher.

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## Micavilla Man Wins Free Trip To World's Fair

Edd Laws of Micavilla was the winner of the first free trip to the World's Fair in New York. He won the trip last Saturday night at the Riverside Drive In Theatre.

One free trip good for two adults will be given away every Saturday night for twelve weeks, through August 1, at the Riverside Drive-In Theatre.

Entrants simply fill in their name and address on a registration coupon supplied by the participating business firms in Burnsville and Micaville. There is no obligation and a person may register once each day at all participating business firms.

## Girl Scout Court Of Awards At Community Building

The Girl Scout Court of Awards will be held at the Community Building on Friday, May 22 at 7:30 p. m.

Badges will be awarded by Mrs. P. C. Coletta who will also award wings to members of the Brownie Troop who are flying up to Junior Scouts.

A party for the Cadette Scouts will follow the ceremony.

Mrs. Jess Styles and Mrs. Nick Huskey are Cadette Scout Leaders and Mrs. William Hess and Mrs. Paul Laughrun are the Brownie Scout Leaders.

## Mrs. Alma Masters Teacher-Of-Month

Mrs. Alma Masters of Lexington, Ohio has been named as Teacher-of-the-Month for May by the Mansfield Ohio Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Masters is a sixth grade language arts instructor at Ontario, Ohio Junior High School.

She has been teaching sixth graders for 22 years, 17 with the Ontario school system and five at Lima, Ohio before going to Ontario. The language arts category which she is now teaching includes English, reading and spelling.

Mrs. Masters is a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers College where she received a bachelor of science degree. She has taken "Seminar in Reading," an intensive study on the various methods of teaching reading.

She attended 15 Saturday sessions in Cleveland, Ohio recently, listening to outstanding national speakers, and at the end of the three-and-a-half period was recognized as a 1963 Jennings Scholar.

Mrs. Masters is a member of the National, Ohio, and Richard County Educational Assns., the North Central Ohio Teachers Assn., the Mansfield Christian School's board of education and the Federation of Bible Clubs.

She belongs to the Brethren Church and has taught a Sunday School class for several years.

Mrs. Masters, her husband, Van, and son, Mike, reside in Lexington, Ohio. Her son is a ninth grader at Lexington High School.

She is the former Miss Alma Styles of Burnsville, daughter of Mrs. Robert Styles and the late Mr. Styles.



Photo by John Robinson

Miss Elorie Blankenship, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Blankenship, of Burnsville is graduating from Cane River High School with a perfect attendance record. Miss Blankenship has the outstanding record of attending school twelve years without being absent one day.

## Eighth Grade Exercises At Burnsville School

The Burnsville Elementary School eighth grade exercises will be held Thursday, May 23 at 7:30 p. m. in the school auditorium. Sixty students will receive certificates of promotion from the eighth grade. Mr. Edgar Hunter, Jr., principal, will award the certificates.

The students of the two eighth grades will take part on the program.

Mrs. John Wilson and Mrs. Willie Molt Hensley are the eighth grade teachers.

## High School Commencement Friday at E. Y.

Commencement exercises will be held Friday evening, May 29 at 8:00 p. m. in the school auditorium for the senior class of East Yancey High School. The Rev. Bert Styles of Newdale will deliver the baccalaureate service prior to the graduation exercises.

Honor students who will take part in the program are Linda Ann Hughes, Aiden Chrisawn, Jerry Newton, Gwendolyn Harris, Lavonne Murdock, and Donna Lewis. Samuel Hall will serve as pianist and Miss Amelia Penland as soloist.

Honor students of the senior class, all who have an average of 90 or above include Donna Lewis, valedictorian; Aiden Chrisawn, valedictorian; Gerald Fender, salutatorian; Betty Harris, co-salutatorian; Byron Zurer, Linda Hensley, Charles Willis, Barbara Fox, Norman Ray, Gwendolyn Harris, Lavonne Murdock, Jerry Newton, Carolyn Pate, Jane Bailey, Sharon Howell, Joyce B. Wilson, David Coletta, Katherine Hughes, Linda Hughes, and Gary Robinson.

In addition to the honor students the following seniors will receive diplomas: Harold Bowditch, David McIntosh, Richard Shuford, Norman Holland, Ruth Jones, Willie Mae Ballew, Violet Garland, Rodney Styles, Rita Hensley, Wade Renfro, Joan Autrey, Paul Wheeler, Freddy Penland.

Philip Davenport, Shelba Boone, Ruth Whitson, Barbara Young, Barry Mayberry, Kenny Young, Ima Jean Bailey, Ted Harrison, Betty Jo Robinson, Stanley Mc-

Mahan, Texie Gurley, Gail Edwards, Gilbert Parker, Dennis Thomas, Brenda Elliott, Carol Fortner, Lloyd Bartlett, Maurice Pittman, Donald Pate, Roger Campbell, Harold Anglin, Donald Harrison, Larry Boone, Ruth Hensley.

Patricia Thomas, Maureen Robinson, Norma Silver, Harold Bennett, Jr., Sabra Murphy, Darrell Freeman, Doris Blevins, Nina Presnell, Helen Smith, Myrna Silver, Betty Cooper, Steve King, Howard Parker, Rebecca Boone, Tim Hess, Carolyn Carter, Larry Blalock, Sonya Wilson, Shirley Atkins, Ronald Buchanan.

Ronald Thomas, Douglas Hughes, Roy Wilson, Mary Martha Honeycutt, Lounie Wilson, Roger Buchanan, Sammy McCurry, Patsy Robinson, Steve Hensley, Leonard Laws, Madison Howell, Maurice Honeycutt, Marvin Griffith, Paula Allen, Dennis Riddle, Larry McIntosh, and Wayne Dellinger.

Juniors who have an average of 90 or above will serve as marshalls. They include Julmae Rutledge, chief; Kay Robinson, Virginia McMahan, Basil McDougald, Cheryl Roberts, Jerry Ayers, Lynn English, Gwen Young, Ila Kay Robinson, Barbara Brown, Sharon Hughes, Melody Howell, Ida Hughes, Gary Ray, Dan Wilson, Amelia Penland, Julia Southers, Glenna Ray, Patricia Robinson, Emogene Branton, Dorothy Holliman, Benson Tyner, Doyle Styles, Jo Ann Harris, Sharon Hopson, Allan Bailey and Billy Carroll.



Photo by John Robinson

Pictured above are members of the Biology class of Dalton Junior High School, Winston-Salem, standing in front of the large fireplace at the Nu-Wray Inn here. Included in the picture are: Max Waiser, instructor, Miss Peggy Kendall, chaperon; Rangers, Price, Beaver and Ray. Students include Miss Lela Whisnant, Debbie Appleyard, Kim Gilliam, Beth Downs, Dan Conrad, Johnny Crooks, David Wilson, David Johnson, Margaret Plager, Kay Lawing, Betty Chambliss, Jack Spain, Roger Philbrick and Dickie Petree.

## Miss Whisnant Hostess To Members Of Dalton School

Miss Lela Whisnant was hostess to members of the 9th grade Biology Class of Dalton Junior High School of Winston-Salem, last week-end.

Members of the class, along with W. Max Waiser, instructor, and Miss Peggy Kendall, chaperon, were guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Whisnant from Friday until Sunday afternoon.

The Dalton Junior High Class was on a field trip to Yancey County which was arranged by Miss Lela Whisnant, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Whisnant.

Rangers Harvey R. Price, Claude Beavers and Blaine Ray took the class on an all day trip Saturday through the South Toe River Game Refuge and Mt. Mitchell. Members of the class gathered species to carry back to Winston-Salem with them.

Saturday night the class, with their instructor and chaperon, forest rangers and their wives were guests at the Nu-Wray Inn. Following the meal a program was given by the foresters consisting of slides made of Western North Carolina, streams of Yancey County, Roan Mountain and Mt. Mitchell areas.

## Piano Recital Tuesday Evening

Mrs. G. D. Aley's piano students will be presented in a recital in the Burnsville Elementary School auditorium on Tuesday evening, May 23 at 7:30 p. m.



Photo by John Robinson

Pictured above are the honor students of the East Yancey High School graduating class. They are from left to right: Betty Harris, Gerald Fender, Aiden Chrisawn and Donna Lewis. The graduating exercises will be held in the school auditorium on Friday evening, May 29 at 8:00 p. m. The Rev. Bert Styles of Newdale will deliver the Baccalaureate service the honor students will take part on the program.

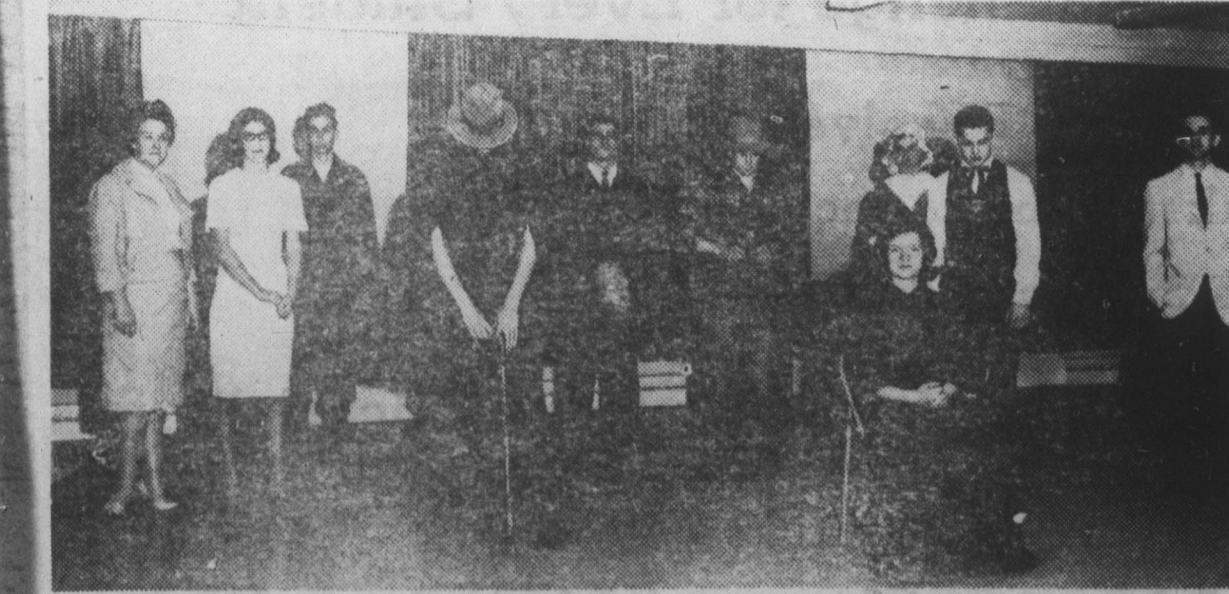


Photo by John Robinson

For the Methodist Men's Breakfast program recently, the East Yancey Betas gave the skit that won 1st place at the State Convention in Raleigh. From left to right: Mrs. Westall, director of the skit; Ramona Penland, substituting for her sister, Amel'el David Coletta as Harry Williams; Joe Moody, Andy the nightwatch; Byron Zuver, Judge Somers; Gary Ray, Coony Potter; Carolyn Pate, Lucinda Matlock; Norman Ray, Peddler Jones, David Thomas, Roscoe Perkipple; seated, Lynn English, Rebecca Wasson. For the last Club meeting of the year, Mrs. Mack B. Ray, sponsor, and Mrs. Westall met with the members for a picnic at Carolina Hemlock.



Photo by John Robinson

Pictured above are the honor students of the Cane River High School Graduating Class. From left to right: Alma Chandler, Carolyn Bailey, Brenda Grinestaff, Millie Wilson, and Pat Styles King. Graduation exercises will be held in the school auditorium at eight o'clock p. m. Friday, May 22. The speaker will be the Rev. Walter Mijler, pastor of Central Methodist Church of Asheville.

